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THE DETER FAMILY HISTORY

A GENEALOGY

Beginning with George Deter

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This Book Dedicated To
DANIEL HOOVER DETER.
My Father.

Greetings

Dear Relatives:

It is with pleasure that we present to you this little pamphlet. We have tried to make it a complete record of George Deter and his descendants, but in this you see it has fallen far short from the mark.

The historical and genealogical information given has been gathered from many sources. We have written many letters but have not obtained all the information we had hoped to get.

It is with keen regret that we were unable to contact any of the members of the family of Harry Deter.

It was possible to add to the meager information in our possession only through the interest and labor of a number of relatives and friends who aided greatly in this exacting task. We hope it will please you and that you will prize it more as the years come and go. We have not been famous, but to quote a relative, "we have been a family whose members have lived and died as plain, honest, law-abiding citizens".

I acknowledge indebtedness and extend my sincere thanks to all who have helped in making this partial genealogical record.

Sincerely,

Eunice Deter.

December, 1941.
Morrison, Illinois.

GEORGE DETER

The first record we have of George Deter is that he lived in the state of Maryland. From there he moved to Adams County, Pennsylvania and later he located in Franklin County, Pennsylvania, where he spent the remainder of his days. Little is known of his early life. He was born December 26, 1775, but we do not know where. He was married to Maria Croft and they were the parents of seven children, two daughters and five sons. Their names were Martha, George, Polly, Andrew, David Eckford, Elijah and Harry Deter.

George was a member of the Lutheran church and his wife was a Catholic, however, she did not rear her children in the faith of her choice. It is not known when she was born or when she died. She is buried in the Catholic cemetery in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. George died at the home of his son, Andrew, on April 21, 1850 and is buried in the Grindstone Hill Cemetery.

George had a sister, Elisabeth Deter, who was born in 1795 and never married. She died August 1, 1851 and is buried in the same cemetery as her brother. It is not known if there were other brothers and sisters.

The first that George Deter's name is mentioned in the Franklin County, Guilford Township, Pennsylvania taxables is in 1825 when he was taxed for two cows.

I.

Martha (Mattie) Deter, the oldest child of George and Maria Deter, was born in Adam's County, Pennsylvania, in 1805 and died near Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, April 16, 1854. She was married to a Mr. Bocenstose (it is thought his given name was Henry). A number of children were born to them; however, we have learn- the names of only four of them: Samuel, Martha, Sarah and Catherine Bocenstrose.

1. Samuel Bocenstrose was born October 26, 1830 and died of tuberculosis August 6, 1855.

2. Sarah Bocenstrose also died of tuberculosis.

3. Martha Bocenstrose died of tuberculosis.

4. Catherine Bocenstrose was born March 8, 1842, near Chambersburg, Pennsylvania and died at her home in Morrison, Illinois on March 6, 1917 from tuberculosis and complications. She was confirmed in the Evangelical Lutheran Grindstone Hill Church near her girlhood home on October 28, 1860 by L. M. Henry, Pastor; and was also married by the same Pastor to Samuel Bonebrake, November 10, 1861. He was born March 25, 1838 and died March 20, 1908 of a malignancy. Catherine's parents, brother and sisters died when she was a young girl, however she continued to live in the home which her parents had left to her. It was a country home comprised of twenty acres of land, located not far from her Uncle Andrew Deter's home. A strip of timber land, which was owned by Judge Beams, lay between the two

farms. Her Uncle Elijah Deter made his home with her until her marriage. Catherine and Samuel were the parents of six children, whose names were Harvey Milton, Althe Florence, Jeremiah Clayton, Edwin Luther, Frank Lester and Bruce Bennet Bonebrake. In the spring of 1881 the family moved to Morrison, Whiteside County, Illinois.

a. Harvey Milton Bonebrake, the oldest child of Samuel and Catherine Bonebrake, was born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania January 30, 1864. He was a bridge builder by trade and was married to Martha Gehrmann February 18, 1895 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She was born in Germany August 13, 1875. They live at 1423-S, 43 St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin. They have one son, Robert Harvey Bonebrake.

1. Robert Harvey Bonebrake was born January 21, 1896. He was married to Anna Kester August 29, 1920. She was born September 13, 1895. They have one son whose name is Robert Louis Bonebrake.

a. Robert Louis Bonebrake was born July 4, 1921.

b. Althe Florence Bonebrake, the second child of Samuel and Catherine Bonebrake, was born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania December 1, 1865 and died of tuberculosis on July 28, 1893 at Morrison, Illinois. She was married to Thurston N. Summers. They had no family. He died April 5, 1928 aged 65 years.

c. Jeremiah Clayton Bonebrake, the third child of Samuel and Catherine Bonebrake, was born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania May 18, 1867 and died suddenly of heart trouble while at work in Morrison on August 1, 1910. He was married to Nellie Marshall. They were the parents of two daughters Fay and Mabel Bonebrake.

1. Fay Bonebrake was born in Morrison, Illinois, July 21, 1901. She was married to Willard Lee in 1922. They live in Clinton, Iowa and are the parents of one child, Janet Lee.

a. Janet Lee was born May 24, 1934.

2. Mabel Bonebrake was born in Morrison, Illinois December 23, 1903. She was married to Orville Mickles in 1925.

d. Edwin Luther Bonebrake, the fourth child of Samuel and Catherine Bonebrake, was born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania March 27, 1869 and died May 20, 1941 following several months illness from heart trouble. He was married to Minnie Smith. She was born in March of 1865. They resided in Peoria, Illinois for a number of years where they were engaged in the management of a rooming house. They were childless.

e. Frank Lester Bonebrake, the fifth child of Samuel and Catherine Bonebrake, was born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania December 6, 1872. He was married to Josephine Fletchic. She was born in 1874 and died September 13, 1930. They

were childless. For a number of years Frank was engaged in business in Morrison, Illinois.

f. Bruce Bennet Bonebrake, the sixth child of Samuel and Catherine Bonebrake, was born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania June 21, 1880 and died of cerebral hemorrhage at the Morrison, Illinois hospital on September 26, 1932. He was married to Bertha Mason Grace in 1918. He clerked in a grocery store for a number of years where he served in a very efficient manner.

II.

George Deter, the second child of George and Maria Deter, was born February 22, 1806 in Adam's County, Pennsylvania and died at his home near Corunna, Richland Township, DeKalb County, Indiana in 1864. He was married to Mrs. William (Elisabeth) Bishop Sanders in Indiana. She was the mother of seven children, 4 sons and 3 daughters. She was affiliated with the Brethern Church. One child, Susanna Deter, was born to George and Elisabeth Deter.

George took up 80 acres of land about three miles southeast of Corunna, Indiana. The land was mostly covered with timber which meant a great deal of work and many hardships. They used the lumber from their own trees when they built the house. The house burned to the ground Christmas Eve, 1941. The farm is now owned by Douglas and Faye Johnson, she being a great-granddaughter of George's wife.

When my father, D. H. Deter, came west in the spring of 1872, he stopped at Corunna, Indiana to visit his aunt and cousin. He said there was a great deal of timber land in that vicinity, there being some very large poplar trees near his aunt's house. Also there were several lakes near by, one of them being perhaps a half mile in length.

1. Susanna Deter, the only child of George and Elisabeth Deter, was born near Corunna, Indiana on March 10, 1853, and died January 29, 1906. She was married to Norris Wilson Friend

August 15, 1874. He was born July 8, 1855 and died February 8, 1935. They were the parents of seven children, three daughters and four sons. Their names are: Amanda Estella, an unnamed infant daughter, Milo James, Emery Milton, John Henry, Pearl Jay and Alda Mae Friend.

a. Amanda Estella Friend was born December 14, 1874. She was married to William Milo Nicholas on May 2, 1897. He was born July 8, 1874. They live near Auburn, Indiana. The names of their five children are: Iona E., Nellie May, Forrest Ray, Ruby Ruth and Faye Ailene Nicholas.

1. Iona E. Nicholas was born November 15, 1897 and died three days later.

2. Nellie May Nicholas was born October 24, 1898. She was married to Walter McConnel December 4, 1919. He was born November 23, 1892. Four children were born to this union, whose names are: Donald, Helen, Maxine and Dale McConnel.

a. Donald McConnel was born August 9, 1920.

b. Helen McConnel was born October 23, 1922.

c. Maxine McConnel was born October 9, 1925.

d. Dale McConnel was born June 11, 1929.

3. Forrest Ray Nicholas was born November 12, 1902. He was married to Adah Faye Goe on December 6, 1928. She was born May 24, 1906.

They have two children whose names are: Susanna Marie and Gerald Jay Nicholas.

a. Susanna Marie Nicholas was born February 10, 1931.

b. Gerald Jay Nicholas was born October 7, 1935.

4. Ruby Ruth Nicholas was born February 10, 1905. She was married to Frank Eston Wheeler on August 31, 1928.

5. Faye Aileen Nicholas was born June 27, 1914.

b. Unnamed infant daughter was born in 1876 and died soon after birth.

c. Milo James Friend was born September 12, 1878. He was married to Rose Schurr on March 6, 1906. She was born September 4, 1879. Their children are Ruth, Ethel and Carl Friend.

1. Ruth Friend was born March 12, 1907. She was married to Elden Hohman on May 12, 1935. He was born December 28, 1909. They have one child, Norma Jean Hohman.

a. Norma Jean Hohman was born September 25, 1936.

2. Ethel Friend was born December 11, 1908. She was married to Dale Hills. They have one daughter, Rosaline Hills.

a. Rosaline Hills.

3. Carl Ervin Friend was born June 20, 1915. He was married in 1941.

d. Emery Milton Friend was born August 26, 1881. He was married to Mattie Knox December 10, 1912. She was born December 24, 1883. Five children were born to them whose names are Jarius, Irene Susanna, Kenneth, George Ellis and Stanley Knox Friend.

1. Jarius Friend was born February 10, 1914.

2. Irene Susanna Friend. She is married.

3. Kenneth Friend.

4. George Ellis Friend was born in 1920.

5. Stanley Knox Friend was born in 1926.

e. John Henry Friend was born April 13, 1883. He was married to Lottie Minerva Boren on September 24, 1907. She was born September 26, 1888. Their children are Myrtle Irene, Iolene Myrth, John Herbert and Richard William Friend.

1. Myrtle Irene Friend was born August 19, 1909. She was married to Dallas Leroy Christlieb on May 11, 1932. He was born March 28, 1893. The names of their four children are Esther Irene, Dallas Leroy, John Jay and David Richard Christlieb.

a. Esther Irene Christlieb was born April 16, 1933.

b. Dallas Leroy Christlieb was born May 19, 1934.

c. John Jay Christlieb was born October 6, 1935.

d. David Richard Christlieb was born September 8, 1937.

2. Iolene Myrth Friend was born June 3, 1912.

3. John Herbert Friend was born November 12, 1914. He was married to Iveta Grace Kurtz on November 12, 1935. She was born October 19, 1919. They have three children Connie Lou, Iolene Myrtle and John Lee Friend.

a. Connie Lou Friend was born October 31, 1936.

b. Iolene Myrtle Friend was born April 28, 1939.

c. John Lee Friend was born May 23, 1940.

4. Richard William Friend was born January 5, 1926.

f. Pearl Jay Friend was born November 10, 1886 and died June 18, 1937.

g. Alda Mae Friend was born April 21, 1889.

She was married to John George Schurr on January 22, 1907. He was born July 25, 1882. They live near Corunna, Indiana. Their children are Wilmer and Paul Schurr.

1. Wilmer Schurr was born February 2, 1908. He was married to Ethel Victoria Higgins on April 30, 1930. She has born March 25, 1910. They have two children: Robert Eugene and Beverly Louise Schurr.

a. Robert Eugene Schurr was born December 6, 1931.

b. Beverly Louise Schurr was born February 15, 1937.

2. Paul Schurr was born April 21, 1914. He was married to Ruby Thelma Tuttle on February 6, 1937. She was born September 9, 1919. They have one son Wayne Allen Schurr.

a. Wayne Allen Schurr was born August 6, 1937.

III.

Polly Deter, the third child of George and Maria Deter, was born in Adam's County, Pennsylvania in 1807 and died June 28, 1884. She was married to Martin Sollenberger. He was born December 10, 1800 and died of tuberculosis on November 9, 1870. They were farmers living in Franklin County, Pennsylvania. Nine children were born to them: Elisabeth, John, Daniel, Susan, Joseph, Polly, Jacob, Samuel and Martin Sollenberger.

1. Elisabeth Sollenberger, the oldest child of Martin and Polly Sollenberger was born July 17, 1835 and died April 28, 1903. She never married.

2. John Sollenberger, the second child of Martin and Polly Sollenberger, was born April 16, 1837 and died of tuberculosis on June 2, 1886. He was married to Bell Yackey. They had three children: William, Anna and May Katherine Sollenberger.

a. William Sollenberger.

b. Anna Sollenberger was born November, 1861 and died at the age of 1 month and 11 days.

c. May Katherine Sollenberger was born December, 1862 and died June 5, 1863.

3. Daniel Sollenberger, the third child of Martin and Polly Sollenberger, was born November 3,

1838 and died September 25, 1906. He was married to Amanda Keller. She was born April 19, 1844 and died April 4, 1916. Seven children were born to them: William, Annie, Mary, Martin, John, Harry and Sarah Sollenberger.

a. William Sollenberger died March 11, 1929 aged 64 years, 7 months and 7 days. He was married to Maggie Kennedy. They were the parents of four children, two sons and two daughters. The sons names are Daniel and Henry Sollenberger but the daughters names are unknown to us.

1. Daniel Sollenberger.

2. Henry Sollenberger.

3.

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b. Annie Sollenberger was married to Edward Spangler. She is dead. Several children were born to them.

1.

2.

c. Mary Sollenberger is dead. She never married.

d. Martin Sollenberger was one of the care takers of the Grindstone Hill cemetery for a number of years. He never married.

e. John Sollenberger was married to Della Fitz.

f. Harry Sollenberger was married to Miss Deardorf. He is dead. One daughter was born to them.

1.

g. Sarah Sollenberger was married to Ira Benedict. She died in 1939. They had a family of children.

4. Susan Sollenberger, the fourth child of Martin and Polly Sollenberger, was born December 5, 1840 and died February 23, 1918. She was married to Martin Branthaver. He was born November 17, 1838 and died October 23, 1916. They had two children: Mary E. and George Branthaver.

a. Mary E. Branthaver was born March 13, 1862 and died January 4, 1941 at the Mennonite Home for the Aged at Maugansville, Maryland. She was a member of the Brethren in Christ Church of the New Guilford District near Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. She never married.

b. George Branthaver was married to Annie Harn. She died May 23, 1938. They were the parents of four children: Milton, Frank, Florence and Rose Branthaver.

1. Milton Branthaver was married to Pearl Deardorf. They have three children: Garnet, Luther and Francis Branthaver.

a. Garnet Branthaver.

b. Luther Branthaver.

c. Francis Branthaver.

2. Frank Branthaver was born September 27, 1889. He was married to Miss Metsker. They live in California.

3. Florence Branthaver was born May 3, 1892, She was married to Mr. Deardorf. They have one daughter, Ann Deardorf.

a. Ann Deardorf.

4. Rose Branthaver was born December 12, 1897. She was married to Mr. Veers. They have one son.

a.

5. Joseph Sollenberger, the fifth child of Martin and Polly Sollenberger, was born October 14, 1842 and died December 10, 1925. He was married to Jane Wolfhill on March 28, 1867. She was born June 14, 1847 and died March 20, 1932. Joseph taught school for a number of years and was one of my father's teachers. They were the parents of ten children: Jacob Harvey, Mary Ellen, Minnie May, Anna Bell, Albert Marshall, Chares Franklin, James Edward, Barbara Elisabeth, Benjamin Harrison, and Emma Grace Sollenberger.

a. Jacob Harvey Sollenberger was born April 11, 1868 and died May 5, 1917. He was married to Erma Bessor on October 6, 1912.

b. Mary Ellen Sollenberger died August 23, 1931. She was a nurse by profession. She was married to Louis Krofft on March 18, 1901. They had one son: Joseph Krofft.

1. Joseph Krofft was born March 6, 1902 and died August 10, 1902.

c. Minnie May Sollenberger was married to William R. Shaw on November 14, 1895. She died January 6, 1903. They had two sons: Ralph and Harry Shaw.

1. Ralph Shaw was born May 11, 1897.

2. Harry Shaw was born December 31, 1960.

d. Anna Bell Sollenberger.

e. Albert Marshall Sollenberger.

f. Charles Franklin Sollenberger died October 19, 1933.

g. James Edward Sollenberger was born October 27, 1883, and died December 8, 1885.

h. Barbara Elisabeth Sollenberger was married to William Burchfield on July 25, 1914. He died June 27, 1934. They had two sons: William and Franklin Burchfield.

1. William Burchfield was born March 21, 1916.

2. Franklin Burchfield was born July 17, 1918.

i. Benjamin Harrison Sollenberger was married to Alice Miller on September 12, 1908.

j. Enna Grace Sollenberger was born December 29, 1890. She was married to William Walker on March 25, 1901. They have one son: William Joseph Walker.

1. William Joseph Walker was married to Madeline Dora Hoover on March 25, 1932. They have one son: William Benjamin Walker.

a. William Benjamin Walker was born February 8, 1933.

6. Polly Sollenberger, the sixth child of Martin and Polly Sollenberger, died April, 1883.

7. Jacob Sollenberger, the seventh child of Martin and Polly Sollenberger, was born April 17, 1846 and died July 18, 1864 of tuberculosis.

8. Samuel Sollenberger, the eighth child of Martin and Polly Sollenberger, died in early youth of tuberculosis.

9. Martin Sollenberger, the ninth child of Martin and Polly Sollenberger, died when a small child.

IV.

Andrew Deter, the fourth child of George and Maria Deter, was born in Adam's County, Pennsylvania on September 18, 1809 and died July 25, 1889. By trade he was a shoemaker. For some time before his marriage he was a teamster, driving from Baltimore, Maryland to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. Railroads did not connect the towns at that time. On April 16, 1840 he was married to Elisabeth Hoover. She was born October 24, 1817 and died December 28, 1891. Her father died when she was a young girl, perhaps ten or twelve years old. She was raised in the home of her mother's brother, Abram Wingert, who lived near the Fayettsville Pike. Her uncle was a very devout Christian man. She said she often watched the teamsters driving by her uncle's place little thinking that some day one of those teamsters would be her husband. The teamsters drove four horses on high wheeled wagons. In the winter time she could hear the wheels slide on the ice and snow as they travelled by her uncle's home.

The first year of their marriage they lived in Turkey Foot, Pennsylvania, where he worked at the shoemakers trade. In 1841 Mike Lesher (a man of the Mennonite faith) asked Andrew to buy his farm of 118 acres. Andrew replied that he did not have the money to do so, but Mr. Lesher said that it was not necessary for him to have the money at that time. So they made an agreement that whenever Andrew was able to pay fifty dollars or the multiple thereof, that the

interest on that amount would cease. The farm was purchased under those conditions. This farm home proved to be the birthplace of their eleven children. Many were the privations and the hardships that they underwent. A log house and a log barn were on the place when he took possession. The barn had a thatched roof. Andrew started farming with very meager means and equipment. Some one gave him an old horse, another gave him an old log chain and also some old horse collars. He used to say, laughingly, that they gave him the log chain to dray out the horse. In 1859 he built a new barn. The carpenters had cut the logs in the woods to be used in the frame work of the barn. They obtained the boards from a saw mill, close to where the Mount Alta Sanitorium is now located. On August 13, 1863 the barn was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. He received between fourteen and sixteen hundred dollars insurance. At that time Andrew said he realized who his friends were. People brought gifts of hay and grain. Uncle Peter Bert, from the Slate Hills, brought a load of hay and several sacks of seed wheat. A neighbor kept some of the young cattle at his place for the winter months, and let them feed from his straw stack. The barn was rebuilt that same fall.

In the fall of 1860, Andrew made a trip west to visit his brother, George and family who were living near Corunna, DeKalb County, Indiana. Their brother, Harry, had formerly lived in the same vicinity. As my father remembers it, this visit was over the time of Lincoln's election, and

it is thought that he was called west on account of illness. Andrew was a staunch Republican but missed casting his vote for Lincoln by being absent from home.

After the Civil War, either 1866 or 1867, a new house was built. The brick were burned on their place the year before the house was built. My father, who was then a young boy, hauled all the brick in a cart to the building site. The cart held 300 brick. Father said they used 46,300 brick in the construction of the house. Joseph Wingert, a grandson of Andrew Deter, is the present owner of the Deter homestead.

Andrew farmed the Beams farm of 150 acres in connection with his farm. He rented it on a half and half basis. In 1878 he bought twenty-one acres and fourty-one perches from Wertz's for $1530.45. It was located a short ways from the home place on the opposite side of the road (towards Hade's church). Twelve acres of this land was covered with timber. So they cleared it off and had a saw mill locate there for a time and make lumber. He used the lumber from these trees in the buildings that he erected on this place. He and his wife spent their latter years in this home.

Andrew was a man of high moral standing but he never made any profession of religion. His wife was of a quiet, unassuming manner and a devout Christian woman. She was affiliated with the Brethren in Christ Church. Her husband respected her for her loyalty to her Lord.

The names of their eleven children were: Anna, Maria, John, Margaret, Elisabeth, Amanda, Samuel, Daniel, Susan, Michael and Sarah Deter.

1. Anna Deter, the oldest child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born December 12, 1841 and died January 12, 1908. She was married to Iassac M. Wingert on October 14, 1869. He was born March 3, 1848 and died August 13, 1883. They had two sons: Samuel and John Wingert.

a. Samuel Wingert was born January 4, 1871. He was married to Minnie Burns on November 26, 1896. They live at 1343-11th Street, Des Moines, Iowa. They have four children: Robert Deter, Arthur Liddell, Ronald Wallace and Leora Julia Wingert.

1. Robert Deter Wingert was born May 13, 1902. He was married to Leta Smith, a trained nurse, on May 26, 1938.

2. Arthur Liddell Wingert was born November 8, 1904.

3. Ronald Wallace Wingert was born December 13, 1906. He was married to Julia Marie Philipson on June 30, 1935. They have a daughter, Marilyn Leora Wingert.

a. Marilyn Leora Wingert was born November, 1937.

4. Leora Julia Wingert was born January 20, 1912.

b. John Wingert was born February 27, 1874. He was married to Enzie Price on December 21, 1899. They run a general store in Shady Grove, Pennsylvania. They have three children: Hazel, Glenn and Flo Irene Wingert.

1. Hazel Wingert was born April 3, 1901. She was married to Guy Florey. They have three children: Marie, Lucille and Joan Florey.

a. Marie Florey.

b. Lucille Florey.

c. Joan Florey.

2. Glenn Wingert was born February 14, 1908. He was married to Margaret Helmouth. They live at Shady Grove, Pennsylvania. They had a child but it died.

a.

3. Flo Irene Wingert.

2. Maria Deter, the second child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born July 16, 1843 and died February 26, 1915. She was married to Henry Wingert (a brother of Iassac Wingert) on October 15, 1867. He was born Nevember 27, 1842 and died November 10, 1928. He was a soldier in the Civil War with the northern forces. He was in a number of charges, and in the front

line when General Lee surrendered. After the surrender they were marched out in squads and were ordered to discharge their guns. He was the only relative of the Deter family that served in the Civil war, to their knowledge.

They were the parents of four children: Annie, Amanda, Susie and Joseph Wingert.

a. Annie Wingert was born November 1, 1868 and died May 20, 1927. She was married to John Decker on October 10, 1884. They had four children: George, Ira, Bertha and Ethel Decker.

1. George Decker died when a baby.

2. Ira Decker was born January 2, 1892. He was married to Mary Gertrude Smith on April 24, 1914. They live in Norfolk, Virginia. They have five children: Erma, Robert, Phyllis, John and Richard Decker.

a. Erma Decker was born July 3, 1915 and died July 31, 1924.

b. Robert Decker was born July 24, 1917.

c. Phyllis Decker was born April 22, 1919.

d. John Decker was born January 27, 1921.

e. Richard Decker was born December 25, 1924.

3. Bertha Decker was born December 19, 1896. She was married to Samuel Warren on July 3, 1913. They live in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania.

Their children are: Margaret and Francis Warren.

a. Margaret Warren was born May 22, 1916.

b. Francis Warren was born June 3, 1922.

4. Ethel Decker was born August 22, 1905. She was married to Fred Florey on December 23, 1926. They live in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania. They have a daughter: Dorothy Florey.

a. Dorothy Florey was born October 15, 1927.

b. Amanda Wingert was born November 2, 1870 and died January 25, 1912. She was married to John Seilhamer on December 17, 1895. They were the parents of six children: Harper, Carrie, Ellen Marie, Eva Susan, Blanch and Roy Seilhamer. The father died before the children were grown.

1. Harper Seilhamer was born March 14, 1899 and died March 29, 1899.

2. Carrie Seilhamer was born July 10, 1900. She was raised in the home of her Uncle Joseph Wingert. She was married to Martin L. Snider. They live near St. Thomas, Pennsylvania. They have a son; Wayne Franklin Snider.

a. Wayne Franklin Snider was born May 22, 1938.

3. Ellen Marie Seilhamer was born January 6, 1903 and died on March 27, 1903.

4. Eva Susan Seilhamer was born January 6, 1903 and died on March 27, 1903.

5. Blanch R. Seilhamer was born August 31, 1905 and died on November 8, 1939. She never married.

6. Roy Seilhamer was born on March 22, 1909. He was married to Cora Rots. They have a son: Roy Eugene Seilhamer.

a. Roy Eugene Seilhamer was born August 3, 1930.

c. Susie Wingert was born January, 1873 and died April 16, 1935. She was married to Jessie Small on December 18, 1893. He was born in 1873 and died November 20, 1936. He was a carpenter by trade. They had four children: Leslie, Carrie, Norman and Vera Small.

1. Leslie Small was born on January 4, 1898. He was married to Ida Keller on October 30, 1919. They have one child: Don Small.

a. Don Small was born on January 21, 1924.

2. Carrie Small was born February 8, 1902 and died on March 30, 1902.

3. Norman Small was born on September 28, 1905, and died on November 26, 1905.

4. Vera Small was born on October 14, 1908 and died on February 18, 1913.

d. Joseph D. Wingert was born November 5, 1875. He was married to Eliza Seilhamer on October 19, 1899. She was born on February 29, 1876. They own and reside on his grandfather Deter's farm. They were the parents of two children: Carrie and William Henry Wingert.

1. Carrie Wingert was born December 20, 1903. She resides at home with her parents.

2. William Henry Wingert was born March 6, 1901 and died August 4, 1901.

3. John Deter, the third child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born April 14, 1845 and died November 21, 1924. He was married to Mary Harshman on January 13, 1870. She was born January 20, 1850 and died January 8, 1923. John was a farmer by profession, living the greater part of his life only a short distance from his birth place. He and his wife were affiliated with the Old Order Dunkard Church, he having served in the capacity of a deacon for many years. They were childless. After the death of his wife he made his home with his sister, Susan Wingert, where he died very suddenly from heart trouble. He and his wife are buried in the Hade's cemetery.

4. Margaret Deter, the fourth child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born January 9, 1847 and died December 18, 1912. She never married, but remained at home with her parents and assisted in their care in their declining years. After

the death of her parents, she and her sister Elisabeth lived together. Her Christian character was unpretentious but of a positive and decided type. She was a member of the New Guilford Brethren in Christ Church.

5. Elisabeth Deter, the fifth child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born June 25, 1848 and died November 6, 1918. She had a paralytic stroke. She never married and also assisted in the care of her parents. In her latter years she accepted the Lord as her Saviour and was a true, devout, unassuming Christian woman. She united with the New Guilford Brethren in Christ Church. She and her sister Margaret are buried beside their parents in the New Guilford cemetery.

6. Amanda Deter, the sixth child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born November 3, 1849 and died January 20, 1925. She was married to Hiram Small on January 4, 1877. They were affiliated with the Old Order Dunkard Church and he served as a deacon in the church for a number of years. They are buried in the Falling Springs cemetery. Three children were born to them: Clark Barr, Maria F. and Elisabeth Olive Small.

a. Clark Barr Small was born February 27, 1880 and died of typhoid fever on August 21, 1903.

b. Maria F. Small was born July 7, 1882 and died July 13, 1882.

c. Elisabeth Olive Small was born August 23, 1884 and died February 22, 1886.

7. Samuel Deter, the seventh child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born October 9, 1851 and died September 22, 1852.

8. Daniel H. Deter, the eighth child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born December 1. 1852. He was married to Elsie Steiner on December 16, 1879. She was born November 7, 1859 and died of tuberculosis on April 23, 1938. As a young man Daniel worked at the cabinet trade at Waynesboro, Pennsylvania for one and a half years in Mr. Crebbs shop. On February 28, 1872, Daniel in company with Columbus Rhine, a boyhood friend, went to Wooster, Ohio where they did farm work. In the spring of 1873, Daniel went to Morrison, Illinois (Columbus followed later) where he worked on the Adam Steiner farm for four years. In 1877 he bought a forty acre farm from Jake Kornhaus for $45.00 an acre. This was located several miles north of the Steiner farm. From then on he continued to farm for many years. In the fall of 1880 he and his wife were converted and united with the Mennonite Church. In 1884 he was ordained as a deacon and continues to serve in that capacity. In 1892 they moved to Carroll County, Iowa, one half mile north of the village of Ralston where they lived for ten years. He purchased the farm from Joseph Merrit and it consisted of 160 acres. Several years later he bought forty acres from Will Rich and worked it with the home place. In the fall of

1901 he sold the farm and bought a farm consisting of 179 acres from his brother, Michael, several miles southwest of Morrison, Illinois. The following spring the family moved to this place. In February of 1920 they retired from the farm and moved into Morrison, where the family home was established. Daniel was an unusually industrious man and possessed good health and a strong body, and no task was too hard for him to perform. His wife, as well, was a hard working woman, a good house keeper and homemaker and a good mother to her children. Her chief concern was for the well being and salvation of her family. As Christians, they were strong and staunch, holding to the convictions of that which they believed to be right in accordance with the teachings of the Bible. They were the parents of eight children: John, Adam, Esther, Andrew, Eunice, Ezra, Daniel and Ira Deter.

a. John Deter was born near Morrison, Illinois on September 13, 1881. He was married to Minnie Albers of Round Grove, Illinois on February 15, 1905. She was born October 19, 1886. They farmed around Morrison until the spring of 1911 when they moved near Adanac, Sask., Canada, where they farmed for a number of years. They have four children: Lawrence, Leroy, Beulah Ruth and John Deter, Jr.

1. Lawrence Deter was born January 11, 1906.

2. Leroy Deter was born November 6, 1907. He was married to Edna Stanley on November

15, 1934. She was born May 16, 1914. They live on a homestead near Beacon Hill, Sask., Canada. They are the parents of four children: Francis Ross, Leroy Stanley, Eunice Irene and John Raymond Deter.

a. Francis Ross Deter was born June 15, 1936.

b. Leroy Stanley Deter was born February 12, 1938 and died February 13, 1938.

c. Eunice Irene Deter was born September 30, 1939.

d. John Raymond Deter was born June 22, 1941.

3. Beulah Ruth Deter was born December 9, 1909. She was married to Sterling Wandle on March 8, 1938. He was born December 15, 1908. They live in Pembina, N. D. They have two daughters: Virginia Marie and Dorothy Mae Wandle.

a. Virginia Marie Wandle was born January 28, 1940.

b. Dorothy Mae Wandle was born September 26, 1941.

4. John Deter Jr. was born near Adanac, Sask., Canada on August 31, 1918.

b. Adam Deter was born near Morrison, Illinois on December 14, 1883. He is a retired farmer living in Morrison with his father.

c. Esther Deter was born near Morrison, Illi-

nois on January 9, 1886. She was married to Abner Nice on December 13, 1908 by Pastor John McCulloh at the Morrison Mennonite Church. Abner was born May 1, 1885. They live on a farm near Morrison. They have five children: Aaron D., Beulah, Cecil D., Rachael and Hazel Nice.

1. Aaron Nice was born September 4, 1909. He was married to Barbara Mae Yoder of Cherry Box, Missouri on December 3, 1939. He was ordained as Minister of the Morrison Mennonite Church on March 6, 1938.

2. Beulah Nice was born January 10, 1913. She is a trained nurse graduating from the Mennonite Hospital at La Junta, Colorado in 1940.

3. Cecil D. Nice was born March 13, 1914. He was married to Mary Yoder of Denbigh, Virginia on March 31, 1941.

4. Rachel Nice was born July 9, 1917.

5. Hazel Nice was born August 31, 1925.

d. Andrew Deter was born near Morrison, Illinois on January 29, 1888. He was married to Jennie Dean on June 15, 1911. She was born July 1, 1888. They live in Morrison and he operates a farm several miles from town. They have one daughter: Charlotte Mae Deter.

1. Charlotte Mae Deter was born December 30, 1918.

e. Eunice Deter was born near Morrison, Illinois on February 19, 1890. She is a trained nurse, graduating from the Englewood Hospital, Chicago, Illinois in 1918.

f. Ezra S. Deter was born near Ralston, Iowa on October 24, 1892. He was married to Edith Huffnagle of Chicago, Illinois on April 28, 1924. She was born September 4, 1893. They met in Syria where both were engaged in Near East Relief Work following the late World War. They live in Chicago, Illinois. They are both teaching school in that city. They have two daughters: Virginia Ada and Dorothy Jean Deter.

1. Virginia Ada Deter was born March 2, 1925.

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2. Dorothy Jean Deter was born October 27, 1930.

g. Daniel Deter, Jr., was born near Ralston, Iowa on June 2, 1895. He was married to Violetta Nice on December 31, 1919 at the home of her parents by Pastor John Nice, an uncle of her father. She taught school before her marriage. She was born August 31, 1899. They are farming the farm near Morrison, Illinois, that had formerly belonged to his grandfather Steiner. They have five children: Sevilla, William Daniel, Melvin Lyle, Clayton LeVerne and Eley Ann Deter.

1. Sevilla Deter was born October 4, 1920.

2. William Daniel Deter was born April 15, 1924.

3. Melvin Lyle Deter was born October 10, 1927.

4. Clayton LeVerne Deter was born December 21, 1929.

5. Elcy Ann Deter was born June 25, 1935.

h. Ira S. Deter was born near Ralston, Iowa on February 7, 1899. He was married to Mary Ellen Landis of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania at the home of Noah Lefever at Sterling, Illinois on December 28, 1927, by A. C. Good. She was born May 1, 1905. They live on a farm near Coleta, Illinois. They have two children: Lona Marie and Lois Arlene Deter.

1. Lona Marie Deter was born October 15, 1928.

2. Lois Arlene Deter was born July 30, 1936.

9. Susan Deter, the ninth child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born February 3, 1855. She was married to Abram B. Wingert on December 23, 1879. He was born September 2, 1860 and died January 29, 1911. They were farmers living near Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, and had retired just a short time before his death. Susan and her husband were affiliated with the Brethren in Christ Church. They had five daughters:

Elisabeth Mae, Minerva, Emma G., Rhoda F. and Anna M. Wingert.

a. Elisabeth Mae Wingert was born January 11, 1882 and died on October 9, 1927. She was married to Ezra Benedict in December of 1903. They were the parents of nine children: Jesse, Glenn, Hazel, Elisabeth, Abram, Joseph, Harry, Fred Louis and Paul Benedict.

1. Jesse Benedict was born April 28, 1905. He was married to Grace Barnhart on June 5, 1926. They have four children: Raymond, Merle, Doris and Verda Benedict.

a. Raymond Benedict was born November, 1927.

b. Merle Benedict was born June 3, 1929.

c. Doris Benedict was born July 14, 1931.

d. Verda Benedict was born July 16, 1938.

2. Glenn Benedict was born April 18, 1907. He was married to Pearl Helman on December 17, 1931. They have six children: Max, Wayne, Ruth, Lee, Fred and Margaret Benedict.

a. Max Benedict was born August 30, 1933.

b. Wayne Benedict was born April 18, 1935.

c. Ruth Benedict was born December 28, 1936.

d. Lee Benedict was born April 12, 1938.

e. Fred Benedict was born July 14, 1939.

f. Margaret Benedict was born April, 1941.

3. Hazel Benedict was born March 25, 1908 and died May 23, 1908.

4. Elisabeth Benedict was born July 18, 1909, and died February 12, 1939. She was married to John Caufman on December 5, 1933. They had one daughter: Esther B. Caufman.

a. Esther B. Caufman was born June 7, 1936.

5. Abram Benedict was born August 16, 1910. He was married to Lucille Boone of Rocky Mount, Virginia on February 20, 1940. They have a son: Rodger B. Benedict.

a. Rodger Benedict was born January 12, 1941.

6. Joseph Benedict was born March 22, 1915. He was married to Rhoda Myers on October 28, 1941. She was born March 20, 1919.

7. Harry Benedict was born July 19, 1918. He was married December 13, 1941 to Evelyn Hess of Waynesboro, Pa. She was born January 8, 1921.

8. Fred Louis Benedict was born January 22, 1922 and died on October 8, 1938.

9. Paul Benedict was born January 5, 1925.

b. Minerva Wingert was born December 8, 1884. She taught school for some time. She has been living in Abilene, Kansas for a number of years.

c. Emma G. Wingert was born October 19, 1886. She was married to David Benedict on December 15, 1909. They have no children of their own but have taken several children in their home. On December 12, 1921 Mabel Duncan, an orphan child, came into their home. She was born March 3, 1918. She continues to live with them. In 1940, Paul Heffley came to live with them. His mother had died a short time before. He was born August 17, 1936 near Lititz, Lancaster Pennsylvania.

d. Rhoda F. Wingert was born September 15, 1888. She spent sixteen years in the Brethren in Christ Mission in San Francisco, California. At present she is living in San Francisco helping at the Mission in her spare time.

e. Anna M. Wingert was born November 29, 1891. She is living in Pasadena, California at present.

10. Michael H. Deter, the tenth child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born March 23, 1857. He came to Morrison, Illinois in the year of 1875. He was married to Susan Bristol on May 20, 1886. She was born July 28, 1864 and died April 14, 1910. They farmed for several years and then his health became impaired and they moved into Morrison. On January 25, 1914, he was married to Emma Landis of Sterling, Illinois. She was born June 15, 1875. In 1921 they moved to Sterling, Illinois where he is one of the ministers of the Reformed Mennonite Church. He is a man

of strong religious convictions and is a quiet, steady, well-balanced man. There are no descendants of Michael Deter.

11. Sarah Deter, the eleventh child of Andrew and Elisabeth Deter, was born August 29, 1859 and died following a ruptured appendix on March 29, 1909. In 1880 she came to Morrison, Illinois where she was employed for a number of years. In 1886 she was married to John Bechtel. He was born February 17, 1862, and died February 22, 1933. He died very suddenly from heart trouble. They established a home on a farm about nine miles north of Morrison. They both died at this home. Sarah was a member of the Brethren in Christ Church and her husband was affiliated with the Brethren Church. They were the parents of four children: Bert D., William, George and Ivy Bechtel.

a. Bert D. Bechtel was born August 12, 1887. When he was between the age of three and four years he had infantile paralysis, which left him a cripple. He is unable to walk, but is of a very cheerful disposition, and in spite of his physical handicap is able to care for himself in a remarkable way. He lives in a four room cottage in Morrison.

b. William Bechtel was born March 11, 1891. He was married to Winnie Milnes in 1913. She was born June 28, 1893. They are farmers living north of Morrison. They have three children: Lucille, Everett and Glenn Bechtel.

1. Lucille Bechtel was born on March 9, 1914. She was married to Lyle Nice on January 19, 1933. He was born December 17, 1905. Their children are Elwyn William and Marjorie Alene Nice.

a. Elwyn William Nice was born May 26, 1934.

b. Marjorie Alene Nice was born November 21, 1936.

2. Everett Bechtel was born July 6, 1918. He was married to Carlene Bernice McKee on October 10, 1940. She was born May 22, 1920. They are living on the farm that was owned by his grandfather Bechtel formerly, his father being the present owner.

3. Glenn Bechtel was born March 9, 1928.

c. George Bechtel was born August 29, 1892. He was married to Eloise Patterson on November 1, 1916. She was born July 30, 1895. He is an auto mechanic and they live in Morrison, Illinois.

d. Ivy Bechtel was born March 6, 1898. She was married to William Lane in 1916. They live in Galesburg, Illinois. Their children are: Mildred, Dorothy Jane and William John Lane.

1. Mildred Lane was born January 2, 1917.

2. Dorothy Jane Lane was born April 23, 1921.

3. William John Lane was born May 31, 1940.

V.

David Eckford Deter, a son of George and Maria Deter, was born near Hanover, Adam's County, Pennsylvania on October 17, 1817 and died at his home near Little Shasta, Siskiyon County, California, on November 20, 1897. He is buried in the Little Shasta cemetery just east of Montague. He was twice married, his first wife leaving four little children whose names were Abraham, Henrietta, Isaac and George Deter. Rather late in life he was again married. Four children were born to this union: Addie, Morris, Myrtle and Raymond Deter.

1. Abraham Deter was born April 4, 18[illegible] He was married to Francis Burr. They had a family of children.

2. Henrietta Deter was born December 6, 1843 and died January 5, 1922. She was married to Henry Davis about the year 1860. They had seven children: Mary, Hattie, Emma, Nettie, Isaac, Henry and Fred Davis.

a. Mary Davis was married to Will Davis. She is dead.

b. Hattie Davis was married to James Williams. They had six children: Floyd, Earnest, Lyman, Allen, Viola Mary and Glen Williams.

1. Floyd Williams was born in 1887. He and his mother live together.

2. Earnest Williams was born in 1891. He is married and has two children.

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b.

3. Lyman Williams was born in 1893. He is married and has one child.

a.

4. Allen Williams was born in 1895. He is married and has two children.

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b.

5. Viola Mary Williams was born in 1902 and died in 1916.

6. Glen Williams was born in 1905. He is married.

c. Emma Davis was married to Clarence Kennedy. He is dead.

d. Nettie Davis died when two years old.

e. Isaac Davis was married to Aldie Coondod.

f. Henry Davis died in 1915. He was married to Fannie Haight.

g. Dr. Fred Davis was married to Dora Spencer. He lives and practices the profession of Medicine at Westwood, California. They have two sons who are also in the Medical profession. Their names are: Fred and Stanley Davis.

1. Dr. Fred Davis Jr. lives in Westwood, California.

2. Dr. Stanley Davis lives in Oakland, California.

3. Isaac Deter was married to Martha Laughterball.

4. George Deter was married to Philena Burr, a sister to his brother, Abraham's wife.

5. Addie Deter died in 1884.

6. Morris Deter lives at Montague, California. He is a truck driver and logger.

7. Myrtle Deter was born in 1885. She was married to Mr. Bauman. They have two sons: Albert and George Bauman.

a. Albert Bauman is married. He is an electrician by trade.

b. George Bauman is married. He is in the grocery business. They have a son.

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8. Raymond Deter died in 1928.

This brief history of David Eckford Deter was copied from "The History of Siskiyon County" California:

"David Eckford Deter is the son of George and Maria Deter and was born near Hanover, Adam's County, Pa., October 17, 1817. His parents were limited in means and young David was obliged to look out for himself and to gain a livelihood worked at whatever his hands could find to do until 1837 when he emigrated to Wayne County, Ohio, where in a short time he was united in marriage on the 24th day of December, 1838 to Susan Ziegler. In 1850 he learned of the rich gold fields of California and on the 25th day of March started across the plains behind an ox team in pursuit of a fortune. After a good trip, he arrived at Hangtown, El Dorado County on the 18th day of August, 1850, and went at once to mining at Coloma. In this he was not successful and removed to another locality, and after a few months again moved to Shasta County. Later he began mining on Modox Creek which mines he was the discoverer of. From here he moved to French Gulch and went on to Yuka. Here he encountered the starvation times, the stories of which are too often repeated and sufficiently written to require mention here. Suffice it to say, Mr. Deter suffered his share of the privations of the time. For some time he was engaged in mining and packing. In 1854 he located on the place he now lives on. In 1859 he returned

to the States for his family with whom he returned to California in 1860. His wife had died in 1848, leaving their children while all were young. After many years of singleness, and after his children had grown up and married, Mr. Deter chose a second companion for his declining years. He was married on March 23, 1880 to Virginia Wilkinson. In business Mr. Deter has been successful and now happy and content in the enjoyment of a good and well kept home. He is quite enthusiastic in growing blooded stock of which he has some of the best in the States. In 1872 he purchased three head at Sacramento which when delivered in Shasta County cost $1000.00. They were the first blooded stock in the valley. On his farms are found as good barns as there are in the country. One is 192 feet long, 78 feet wide and 25 feet high. There are two others, 110 feet and 100 feet long respectively."

Some of the relatives in Pennsylvania received a letter from Uncle David Deter dated October 15, 1851. It told of the many hardships, privations and disappointments which he encountered while in the business of mining for gold. Their expenses were very high. Tools and shovels sold from six to ten dollars, sixteen dollars for pans, twenty-eight cents a pound for flour, thirty cents a pound for ham, forty sents a pound for sugar, twenty-five cents a pound for fresh beef, and all things in proportion. Fat cattle were worth $200.00 a yoke. The Indians were very troublesome at that time, stealing their horses and blankets and shooting arrows into some of the men. Three men who

were in the same tent with Uncle David were shot. One of them slept with him when he was killed. Bears and wolves were very common annoyances. The bears were not so apt to disturb any one at night in camp, but the wolves were prowling around all night. They would not hurt anyone, but they would steal the bread and meat out from under their heads and carry off their clothes. They were handicapped in many regards and he suggested that digging for gold was not without its trials.

VI.

Elijah Deter, the son of George and Maria Deter, was born in 1817. He never knew the month of his birth. He never married. For some time he made his home with his niece, Catherine Bocenstose. After she married, he purchased a small timber lot and cleared it off and erected a home for himself. He lived alone many years and worked by the day around the surrounding community. During his last illness he was taken to the home of his nephew, John Deter, where he was given care. He died January 23, 1902. He is burried in the Grindstone Hill cemetery.

VII.

Harry Deter was the son of George and Maria Deter. Very little is known of his life. He emigrated to Indiana, living close to his brother George at Corunna for a time. From here he went to Illinois, taking his family with him in a covered wagon. He had several children. When my Uncle Michael Deter was a small boy he remembers that his father had a letter saying that Uncle Harry had died and requested that he come and help the children settle the estate. But he did not go. The relatives lost track of the family.

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